

In The Specification

Please add after the title of the inventions and prior to the field of the invention the following sentence -- This application is a division of Serial No. 09/172,873 filed October 15, 1998, now allowed, which is a division of Serial No. 08/839,446 filed April 14, 1997, now U.S. 5,891,905 issued April 6, 1999, which is a division of Serial No. 08/687,885 filed July 26, 1996, now U.S. 5,712,305 issued January 27, 1998 which is a division of Ser. No. 08/317,226 filed October 3, 1994, now U.S. 5,554,645 issued September 10, 1996.

In The Claims

Please cancel Claim 64 retained for copendency. Claims 27 and 40-63, which were restricted out, were cancelled by the Examiner's Amendment of October 3, 2000. Claim 32, which was also restricted out was cancelled in the Amendment of June 2, 2000. Claim 32 was directed to "a method for protecting a food from oxidation." Claims 40-51 and 55-63 were directed to "a solid" or "liquid composition" for oral administration. Claims 52-54 were drawn to "a food composition". Claims 64-80, the elected claims, were directed to "cocoa extracts".

Please add new Claims 81-99 directed to "a food".

81. (new) A food comprising a cocoa polyphenol additive.
82. (new) The food of Claim 81, wherein the cocoa polyphenol additive is a cocoa procyanidin.
83. (new) A food comprising an isolated cocoa polyphenol as a food additive.
84. (new) The food of Claim 83, wherein the isolated cocoa polyphenol is a cocoa procyanidin.

85. (new) The food of Claim 84, wherein the cocoa procyanidin is a mixture of cocoa procyanidins.

86. (new) The food of Claim 85, wherein the cocoa procyanidins are selected from the group consisting of monomers and oligomers of epicatechin and catechin.

87. (new) The food of Claim 86, wherein the oligomers include dimers through dodecamers.

88. (new) The food of Claim 86, wherein the cocoa procyanidins are isolated as a cocoa extract.

89. (new) The food of Claim 88, wherein the cocoa extract is fractionated into cocoa procyanidin fractions containing monomers, dimers, trimers, tetramers, pentamers, hexamers, heptamers, octamers, nonamers, decamers, undecamers, and dodecamers.

90. (new) The food of Claim 89, wherein the cocoa procyanidin fractions are pooled.

91. (new) The food of Claim 88, wherein the cocoa extract is prepared by extracting defatted cocoa beans with a solvent.

92. (new) The food of Claim 91, wherein the defatted cocoa beans are unfermented cocoa beans.

93. (new) The food of Claim 91, wherein the defatted cocoa beans are partially fermented cocoa beans.

94. (new) The food of Claim 91, wherein the defatted cocoa beans are fermented cocoa beans.